

***Full Name***

Craig Chambers

***What interests you in serving on the School Board?***

I want to help build and serve my community. I want to use what I have learned throughout my personal life and professional career to help the students, teachers, administrators and tax payers come together to create an environment where our district can continue to excel. I feel like I have a level head, and can handle the pressure associated with the difficult decisions the board makes to better our community.

***How will you collaborate with the school board and district leaders to build trust and improve relationships with teachers?***

I have noticed through out my career as an attorney, whether dealing with tax payers at truth in taxation hearings, contract negotiations, defense attorneys, or victims of crimes, the number one thing is to be available, and listen. Taking time to meet with and get to know those you serve or work with makes all the difference.

***What do you see as the most pressing need in our District?***

I personally see two things that are pressing in our district. First, with the opening of Deer Creek high school there are going to be some changes in the valley. Having sound leadership and input through that will be key to success. The second pressing need I see is assuring the tax payers that the board understands the situation they are in, and work with and listen to their concerns so they feel like they have a voice.

***Many families in our community feel pressure from high property taxes and rising home valuations. How would you balance the goal of providing a strong education with ensuring that no family is driven away due to financial burdens, and what changes would you consider to address these concerns?***

This is probably the top concern for a lot of people and families in our community. We are very blessed in this valley with amazing teachers and administrators. They need resources to help our children excel. There are

building and resource needs that have to be met to keep our children safe and in an environment where they can learn. Running a district is difficult, it deals with trusted funds to be used for their sacred purpose. That being said my goal on the board would be to listen. Listen to the Admin. Listen to the citizens. Listen to the families that are struggling. And most importantly make sure that nothing is sprung on the taxpayers without well thought out discussion and time.